

HUNT WAS BLUFFED

So He Retaliates and Brings Suit to Recover.

CLAIMING HEAVY DAMAGES

A Somewhat Mixed and Harrowing (?) Transaction at Kalamazoo—News of the Two Penitents.

KALAMAZOO, Jan. 6.—Ira J. Hunt, for several years engaged in the harrow manufacturing business, has sold out to the National Harrow association, receiving \$27,120, and the purchaser assumes all his contracts.

Mr. Hunt has made the Harrow spring south harrow which Judge Gresham decided is not an infringement of the Reed harrow. He sold about \$40,000 worth last year, and hence the desire of the monopolistic combine to close him up. The secretary of the association, N. W. Brinkerhoff, of Auburn, N. Y., came here and carried the deal through. He at first agreed to allow Mr. Hunt to enter the combine by taking out a license on which he would be compelled to pay \$1 into the fighting fund for each harrow made.

The next day the secretary informed Mr. Hunt that he must quit the business, as the association had decided to drive his harrow out of the market. Mr. Hunt inquired as to the methods and was informed that the association would sell harrows cheaper than he could make them to his customers and would sue every purchaser who bought of him, whether it was an infringement or not. The secretary agreed to pay cash for his stock, and assumed all contracts which Hunt had for material, if he would sign a contract not to engage in the harrow business for fifteen years, and they would make it cost him many thousands of dollars if he did not sign it. He further declared that they have a fund of \$50,000 which could be doubled in an hour to force him out of the business.

Hunt signed the paper and today began suit for \$50,000 damages. The local members of the Harrow association are D. C. and H. C. Reed & Co., L. C. Lull & Co., Henry & Taylor, and W. J. Lawrence. The only competing company making harrows now in the state is a small concern at Lansing.

MINING DISTRICT

Talk About Big Holes in Upper Peninsula.

Marquette, Jan. 6.—The Foxdale is down about 130 feet in ore so hard that only about three feet per week can be sunk. The Buckeye will not "shaft" until May. Assays of the East New York diamond drill core average 65 percent metallic iron. Repairs to the recent fire damage at the Lake Superior are about completed and hoisting will be begun inside of a few days. No. 3 of the South Wharfedale is mining twenty tons a day from a 100-foot chimney.

The Hemlock is diamond-drilling the new discoveries. The Escanaba Land & Iron company is developing a fine deposit at the old Sweeney property. The surface equipment at the Mine is being put in perfect shape. The shaft is down 130 feet, and an air pressure will soon be added to the plant. The shaft of the Volunteer is down 125 feet and will be used mainly for delivering tin ore. The Sheridan expects to put out 60,000 tons this year. The shaft of the Iron Valley is down 100 feet and drift is towards hanging wall. The Michigan has suspended work for a few days. The Buffalo Mining company is exploring on lands east of the Dexter mine. The mild weather was sliding the test pits so a chert drill will be used.

PEDESTAL PHILANTHROPIST

Union City, Mich., Jan. 6.—Extra network of Union City is evidently determined to lay up treasures heavenward. He is rich, owning real estate in every state in the union. A year or two ago he gave \$100,000 worth of property to Albion college. This was followed by a gift of \$50,000 to Olivet college. Last month he gave \$10,000 for the support of superannuated M. E. ministers, and \$1,000 to Union City's local M. E. society. It has just become known now that on New Year's day he presented the First Congregational church of Union City with \$2,500 worth of property, and still Mr. Boatwark works hard every day, and wears a \$10 suit of clothes on state occasions.

Crazy About Dancing

Union City, Mich., Jan. 6.—Union City young folks have gone crazy over dancing and hold torchlight parades every other night. The church people are becoming highly alarmed over the state of affairs, and fear that the giddy boys and girls will take a poke straight into school before the customary annual religious revival can get in its work.

Corpses Fast to a Log

Kalamazoo, Jan. 6.—A number of boys skating upon ponds adjoining the river, this morning discovered the dead body of an infant upon a log floating in the stream. The child was fully developed, stark naked and frozen fast to the log. Officers are investigating.

General State News

Sheep thieves are making rich hauls in the vicinity of Elmore.

Branch and Hilldale counties will vote on local option February 23.

The Flint Knights of Pythias dedicated their handsome new hall last evening.

Gerrit Zofelt, an aged pioneer of Richfield, was found dead in his barn Saturday.

Twenty-one striking miners from Brazil, Indiana, have found employment at Newburg.

The Patterson factory in Flint, destroyed by fire last August, will be started up next Monday.

Charles McGeehan of Kalamazoo county was killed Tuesday at Kalamazoo while loading logs upon a car.

Mrs. Dr. C. J. Stephens of Oshtemo was found dead in bed Tuesday morning. She had retired in apparent good health.

John Mitchell, a Marine City lad, had his right hand blown to pieces while hunting Tuesday, and will probably lose his whole arm.

Chicago parties are suing up Plank's tavern at St. Joseph with the idea of floating it across to the big city to be used during the World's Fair.

Charles Campbell of Kalamazoo county tried to walk on the water of Twin Lakes. The crust gave way and he is still fishing for his remains.

Mrs. Sherwood Snyder of Charlotte managed to evade grim death in all his varied farms for a period of ninety years. The grip carried her off at last. Her husband who survives is

ONE YEAR HER SENIOR AND IS ONE OF THE SURVIVORS OF FREMONT'S FIRST MARCH ACROSS THE ROCKIES.

Dr. Hugh J. Shank of the Soldiers' home heard has started for a three months' visit to England. He will spend some time in medical studies in London hospitals.

The late snow fall, scanty as it is, brings a smile of hope to the lumbermen of Saginaw Valley. It will enable them to bank a great part of their logs.

Burglars raided the depot of the C. & M. Sunday night. They secured a small sum of money, the station agent's watch and gun and a lot of railway tickets for wadding.

John Kotala, a miner employed in the Cleveland mine, fell from a staging in the mine Tuesday morning, dislocating his spine and fracturing his skull. He is in a hospital and will die.

A lunatic named Mathison was found wandering on the streets of Pontiac Tuesday. He is supposed to have been dropped off by a Detroit officer and will be kept in jail until the authorities find out where he belongs.

All attempts to unravel the mystery surrounding the Lemnitz murder at Day City have so far proved ineffectual. Frank Lemnitz was arrested for Detroit officers on a charge of burglary and he will be examined in regard to the murder.

The will of Tom S. Applegate of Adrian has been offered for probate. It nominates Mrs. Applegate as executrix and Alanson Bennett as executor. Monday, January 23, is set as the day when the matter will be given a hearing by Judge Robbins.

Henry Rhodehaver of Jackson stole a horse and buggy, and has been carrying on a general horse thieving business. When arrested and arraigned in court he owned up like a little man. Henry's mail should be addressed to Jackson postoffice for some time to come.

Buchanan is kind to the tramps. It has erected finger boards upon all the roads that lead to the village bearing the information that cracked stone for improving the roads is desired, and that the supply of dorlocks and stone hammers is unlimited.

Chesaning was visited by a destructive fire Tuesday which caused a loss of \$12,000. Editor W. J. Morris of the Citizen fell while moving goods from a store and fractured his knee bone, which will lay him up for some time. The origin of the fire is not known.

Annie Coster, a Bay City domestic, met with a terrible accident Tuesday evening. She was carrying a tub of boiling water upstairs, when she missed her footing and fell, some of the water spilling over her body. Her shrieks brought her employer to the scene, who summoned a doctor, and he gave the unfortunate girl proper attention. There are hopes of her recovery.

The Southwestern Michigan Kennel club held its annual meeting at Kalamazoo and elected the following officers: President, Eugene Glass of Battle Creek; vice-presidents, C. K. Examen of Indianapolis; M. C. Byers of Grand Rapids; M. I. Gardner of Pipestone; W. B. Mereson of Saginaw; and A. R. Trowbridge of Kalamazoo; secretaries, George B. Thomas of Kalamazoo and William H. Byrne of Kalamazoo. The club expects to hold a bench show in March.

Unless judicious care is exercised Dan Dunn's old saloon at Trout Lake will get a hard name. After Jim Harcourt settled Dunn with a revolver last summer, John Nevins became its proprietor. He now has a bullet in his back, and precious little life in his body, as a result of trying to eject Jack Helwig, an upper Peninsula tough, on Sunday. A train man named Meyer, a friend of Nevins, took a hand in one of Helwig's friends gave him a shot in the arm. Helwig and his gang escaped. Meyer will not twist a brake for some time to come, unless the doctors are mistaken. Dan Nevins' widow will soon offer the saloon for sale.

Some two years ago a steam barge called the Victor, carrying a cargo of Canadian lumber, was wrecked near Sand Beach, and the lumber drifted on shore and was taken hold of by a number of persons at this time. The master of the vessel claimed the lumber, and he sold it to the parties who had it. Captain Silversides, the master of the vessel, was arrested and brought to Detroit by the United States officers, under a charge of selling lumber to people without paying the duty. He was discharged without any trial, and last summer Inspector Day of Port Huron, came here and collected the government duty from several parties, they paying twice on this lumber. Now a Canadian from Sarnia, named McGibbon, begins suit after this delay, against the people here for this lumber.

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